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The Origin of Thanksgiving.

This custom of Thanksgiving is reputed to be of great antiquity, having been borrowed as some declare from the Mosaic law. This, however, is doubtful, notwithstanding that Hebrews were accustomed to celebrate a plenteous harvest by public festivals and acknowledgments. The custom of celebrating national and local festivals became established at the earliest periods. The escape of Leyden was made the occasion for praise services, and the discovery of the Guy Fawkes plot was observed by thanksgiving services in England up to within a comparatively recent period. Some are inclined to the belief that the custom in the United States was imported into this country from Holland, where the "Harvest Home" festival is an annual feature. However this may be, the origin of Thanksgiving day in the United States is due to the early settlers of New England. Throughout the colonial days in that section, they were of annual occurrence, and during the Revolutionary War Congress repeatedly recommended the setting apart of a day to be devoted exclusively to thanksgiving and prayer. At the close of the war, upon the adoption of the constitution and at other periods in the early history of the nation, national thanksgivings were recommended and celebrated. A noticeable feature in this connection, is the fact that Thursday, the day always selected by the New England governors, has been adopted universally throughout the United States as "Thanksgiving day." From New England the custom gradually extended into the Middle States, the Western States, and finally into the Southern States. Prior to the Civil War the proclamations of Thanksgiving were issued by the governors of the several States. During that period the national executive appointed days of thanksgiving, as also of fasting and prayer, and the precedent thus established has been adopted by succeeding administrations since the close of hostilities. Thanksgiving day is now celebrated by union services among the Protestant churches, and since 1888 by reciting prayers for the State and Nation in those of the Roman Catholic faith. In the homes of citizens, without respect to religion, faith or church affiliation, it is made a day of merriment and feasting, at which families long separated are reunited, and ceremonies of a social character prevail.

WILLIAMSBURG, WHITLEY COUNTY.

—Dr. P. A. Pennington spent Sunday in Louisville.

—Mr. E. E. Nelson is in the city purchasing a stock of holiday goods.

—There was a negro minstrel troupe here last week and gave two entertainments.

—The public school of District No. 1 will give an entertainment Thursday evening.

—Your correspondent spent last week in Madison county and that is the reason no letter appeared.

—Rev. J. N. Prestridge preached at Corbin Sunday. The Baptists will organize a church there soon.

—Miss Mary Ront, of Lawrenceburg, who has been visiting here for some months, has returned home.

—Mr. Thomas Higginbotham, of this place and Miss Bertha Bonnell, of Oberlin, Ohio, will be married at the bride's home Dec. 2.

—Mrs. Eliza Blain, wife of Dr. W. M. Blain, died, is lying at the point of death with pneumonia at this writing and her physicians think her condition hopeless.

—Mr. John Blain, of Lincoln, is here to see his sister-in-law, Mrs. Eliza Blain. Mr. J. W. Sullivan was in the city last week. M. L. Moore will open a new store in a few days.

—Last Saturday night Mrs. James Sparks, wife of an attorney at Corbin, attempted suicide by taking rough on rats. Timely assistance was rendered and by the aid of a stomach pump she was saved from the end she so earnestly sought. It is thought that family trouble was the cause of the rash act.

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For sale by Dr. S. G. Hocker, druggist, Stanford.



Sermon by a Nonagenarian

The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Romans, 1:16. We are said to be saved by the gospel. 1st Corinthians, 15:2. The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul. Psalms, 19:7. All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. 2nd Timothy, 3:17, also 2nd Peter. According as His divine power has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness through the knowledge of Him that has called us to glory and virtue; whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises; that by these we might be made partakers of the divine nature. When the Apostles had received the Holy Spirit they had the power to remit sins. The Savior had said "I am going to leave you, I will send you another comforter." According to promise, after He was crowned He sent the spirit. They had the gospel in their bodies. See 2nd Corinthians, 4:1. "Therefore seeing we have this ministry." 7th verse. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, the gospel, hence they had the power to remit sins. We have been three particular to show the gospel had first to be preached to the Jews on Pentecost the promise was fulfilled. Some six or eight years after it had been preached to the Jews, Peter was called by Cornelius to tell him words by which he could be saved. It required a miracle to convince Peter that the Gentiles had any share or promise in the gospel. When convinced of that fact he commanded him to be baptized. The riches of God's grace was now fulfilled when all the families of the earth were to be blessed. The Jews and Gentiles had long been at enmity; hence so much writing in the Epistles to reconcile them in one body, that is Jews and Gentiles.

We have all that is necessary to convert persons in the gospel. We do not need any additional power. When we pray for additional power we distrust the teachings of the gospel. To be more pointed we say the Holy Spirit uses the Apostles as the means to communicate the gospel. We have all that is necessary in the gospel to save, both saint and sinner in obedience. I rely any person to tell us any thing that is any better. We all can learn all that is taught to give us an entrance into the everlasting Kingdom, by obedience to what is contained therein.

In a former article I promised to show when the promise made to Abraham was fulfilled. Said promise was made some 2,000 years before it was fulfilled. I showed I thought that many events which we deemed necessary should transpire during that time. I tried to show Christ had to be made King of Kings and Lord of Lords. That when He gave His apostles the Holy Spirit, salvation so far was completed for us. He said to His apostles, "Go preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." See Mark 16:16.

We now propose a few thoughts on the terrible sin of divisions in the so-called religious world. If divisions are not sinful, covetousness is not. 1st Cor. 1:10. "Now I beseech you by the name

of our Lord Jesus Christ that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and same judgment." Cor. 12:16. verse. "Now this I say that every one of you saith I am of Paul and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas and I of Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you, or were you baptized in the name of Paul? See also 3:3. "For you are yet carnal; for whereas there is among you envying and strife and divisions, are you not carnal and walk as men?" See Romans 16:17. "Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them who cause divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine you have learned and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by good works and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple." See also Colossians 2:8. "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." John 17, 20-21. "Neither pray I for those alone, but for them that also shall believe in me through their word, that they all may be one as thou, Father, art in me and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

We think we have produced enough Bible to prove it is the power of God and enough to prove divisions are wicked; that any person or persons that will introduce into Christ's church anything not taught in the Bible is wicked. J. R. WAGEN.

The Sparta, Mo., Herald has this about a former citizen of Lincoln: R. V. Purdon, the gentlemanly defeated democrat for governor should feel proud. He made the best race of any democrat on the tick list. There is not a man in Christian county we would rather see honored than Bob, for he is the top man in every respect, the worst habit is voting the democratic ticket. We hope he will some day see the error of his way and join the G. O. P.

The stock of wines, spirits, etc., laid out for the trip to England and back on one of the largest Atlantic liners is 2,500 bottles of wines and spirits, 2,000 bottles of ale and porter and 6,000 bottles of mineral waters.

All men are fools to escape seeing one, one would be compelled to shut himself in his room and break his mirror. —De Sade.

The skin of a rattlesnake exhibited at Jefferson, Ga., is 79 inches in length and has 21 rattles attached.

Henry Wilson, the postmaster at Welshon, Fla., says he cured a case of rheumatism by taking a glass of water with one small bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

What a pleasant surprise that must have been to the sufferer. Such cures are not unusual with this remedy. In many instances only one or two doses are required to obtain permanent relief. It can always be depended upon. When reduced with water it is pleasant to take.

For sale by Dr. S. G. Hocker, druggist, Stanford.

W. A. McGuire, a well-known citizen of McWayne, is of the opinion that there is nothing as good for children troubled with colds or cough as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

He has used it in his family for several years with the best result. I always keep a bottle of it in the house. After having a gripe, we usually sleep with water in the bottle.

He uses other remedies without benefit and then concluded to try the children's medicine and to his delight it soon effected a permanent cure.

As a 25 cent bottle for sale by Dr. S. G.

Hocker, druggist, Stanford.

Thanksgiving all the Year.

Once a year there comes a day
In the chill November weather,
When from near and far away
Loving kindred meet together.

Round the old hearthstone they meet,
Young and old, in union tender,
To renew their greetings sweet
And their mutual love to reader.

Thanks are given that once again
They whom distance separated,
With their hearts all free from pain,
Gather there with hearts elated.

Yet through all the changing year,
We for giving thanks have reason
For the blessings that appear,
That we find in every season.

Thanks for shelter from the storm,
Thanks because no ill confound us,
Thanks for hearts that e'er are warm,
Thanks for loving friends around us.

Thanks for health that day by day
With fresh pleasure comes attended,
Thanks for sorrow passed away,
Thanks for troubles that are ended.

So, for blessings we receive,
Making our lives worth the living,
Every day of joy we live
Should be to us a thanksgiving,

LANCASTER, CARRARD COUNTY.

—Several Lancaster parties will attend the Gordon lecture at Stanford Thursday evening.

—License was issued this week to Hollis Randall to marry Miss Sarah J. Dickerson, both of Lower Garrard.

—An adjourned meeting of the Garrard county court was held Tuesday, at which time suitable resolutions were passed as to the efficiency, &c., of the outgoing county officers.

—While in the Bald Hill neighborhood the first of the week, Mr. Marshall Eason shot and wounded an eagle. The bird measures six feet six inches from tip to tip and is a beauty. He is a young one and his wound has about healed up. Mr. Eason has him in his chicken coop and will raise him.

—The Garrard county court at its session on Tuesday made an allowance to Hon. John Sam Owsley, Jr., to supplement his salary as Commonwealth's attorney, the courts of Lincoln, Boyle and Mercer having done the same thing. This act meets the approbation of the bar at this place as well as the people generally, and shows that the services of a faithful and able public servant are not without their reward.

ROWLAND.

—Don't forget the box supper, at the school-house, Thanksgiving night.

—Judge Cordier has rented his house where the post-office now is to William James, where he will open a house to sell spirituous liquors by the quart.

—Judge T. L. Shelton is preparing to move his saloon and put the post-office in the saloon room, on his own premises, which will make it more convenient for the majority of the patrons of the office.

—Miss Agnes Anderson, of Howardtown, is visiting Mrs. Lena Carter. Mr. J. P. Aldridge and daughter, of Mitchellburg, visited Mrs. M. L. Ware last week and she returned with them to spend a few days. Mr. J. W. Anderson, of Lebanon Junction, was in Rowland Sunday. Mrs. Bryant, of Illinois, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Montray. Mr. John Payne has moved to Boston, Ky. Miss Mand Moore has been quite ill, but is improving.

—The original intention and observance of Thanksgiving were different from the present. It existed as early as 1630, and, in 1789, Washington set apart the day of the adoption of the Federal constitution as a day to give thanks, but this custom has gone into disuse; and it is now set apart to give thanks for harvest and all temporal blessings. It should be properly observed, for we are not as thankful as we should be. The custom of hunting and meeting for the purpose of engaging in levity or the excessive gratification of our appetites is not in keeping with the intention for which the day is set apart.

—Many of our best men all over the country are in favor of amending the constitution with reference to the secret ballot law or of enacting a general registration law. If something of the kind is not done the politics of the country is ruined. The laws which once existed are totally and irrevocably obliterated by men who pretend to be party men, going behind the curtain and voting against their avowed principles on account of some personal prejudice, when they would not do so with an open ballot for fear of public censure. No man should want to hide his vote any more than he should seek to conceal any other public act, the right of which is guaranteed by the laws of his country. We are not permitted to convey our property in secret. The conveyance must be of record; and so should all other public acts. The law is a reflection on the honor of a free citizen. There is a growing feeling for popular journals, like yours, to advocate the election of a Legislature, three-fifths of which will be in favor of submitting the question to the people as provided in the present constitution. Several counties are willing to nominate candidates on that issue. Many good men will not go to the polls on account of that odious, secret ballot law. Our boasted freedom is taken from us and our institutions are threatened with destruction.

TO-NIGHT, 29TH, GEN. J. B. GORDON,

U. S. Senator from Georgia,
Will deliver his soul stirring lecture on The
LAST DAYS OF THE CONFEDERACY,
AT
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W. P. WALTON.

WHILE we are told to "give thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," this day has been especially set apart for rendering thanks to the Giver for all the good gifts that He has vouchsafed to us as a nation, as a community and as citizens. It is a beautiful custom, that of devoting one day of the 365 for public acknowledgments of our manifold blessings and it is meet that we should observe it in spirit and in truth, not only by a lip service of thanks but by showing forth our gratitude in deeds of love and mercy and charity to those who have less cause for thanks than we.

Financially this has been a very dark year and politically the democrats at least have nothing much to be thankful for except perhaps that they are alive, but what boots it to a majority of the citizens who is in power and who holds the offices so long as they are held by honorable men? They get none of the leaves and fishes of office and are only interested in good government, and stand ever as ready to hurl from power those that they have honored if they prove recreant to their trusts, as they were to elevate them. We were caught out in a very severe storm, but let us try to make the best of it and be thankful at least that things are no worse.

But politics avante. We didn't intend to mention a subject so distasteful at present, but instead to reflect upon those things for which we have cause to be thankful and to join with our readers in giving praise for the temporal blessings we enjoy and the spiritual blessings we may have for the asking. The country has been singularly free from pestilence and the earth has yielded so abundantly to the husbandman's labor that plenty abounds, while peace at home and abroad makes us a peculiarly blessed people. Some of us have suffered the loss of dear friends and relatives; others mourn the loss of fortunes and a failure of their hopes, but even these can if they will, see the bright lining to the cloud, and join with us to day in thanks that if things are not as good as they could wish, they are still far from being as bad as they might. So let us all praise God from Whom all blessings flow for permitting us to see another Thanksgiving day and enjoy it with kindred and friends, and let each of us try to do something to-day to prove the faith that is in us. With a smile for those who love us and a tear for those who hate, we extend to friend and foe the hope that this may be the happiest Thanksgiving day they have ever experienced and that none shall go without turkey.

Mrs. CUTTING BULLITT is out in another card to say that she is sorry that she withdrew the suit for divorce against her aged husband and that she wants it understood that in doing so she did not retract a single one of the charges she brought against him. There has never been the slightest chance of our re-union, as man and wife, says she, and then she shoots it into the short ribs of the reporters for persecuting "a Christian woman whose life's record has for 50 years been second to none in purity." As long as Mrs. Bullitt sets herself up as a target she may expect to be shot at. Let her retire from public gaze and the public and press will let her as severely alone as she could wish.

As the Owensboro Messenger remarks, Judge Toney is in a predicament. He must qualify as appellate judge under his certificate of election January 1st, or a vacancy will be declared. If he qualifies he must resign his present judgeship in Louisville, worth \$3,000 a year. There is a strong possibility that the State Board, which will hear St. John Boyle's contest, may find it necessary to declare that Mr. Boyle was really elected, but this cannot be determined until some weeks after January 1. Will Toney give up the substance and take a chance at the shadow? We shall see.

AND now comes Parson Hopkins and says he is going to contest Kendall's election in the 10th. He has all to gain and nothing to lose by the action. Might is right with the republicans and he may be given the seat. If not he will get \$2,000 any way and that's a big thing for the kind of a preacher Brer Hopkins is. As contesting is all the go why does not somebody suggest that Dr. Roberts contest for McCreary's seat? May be the doctor would stand a better chance before a packed jury than he did before the people.

It will take an appropriation of \$500,000 to carry out the provisions of the income tax law and a fight will be made by those who opposed it before its passage to render it nugatory by preventing the appropriation. Senator Hill will lead the fight and it may be that the millionaires may yet escape their just deserts.

WILL the Covington Commonwealth permit us to beg its pardon for overlooking the fact that it still stands up for the secret ballot. We had hoped that there was none so poor as to do reverence to the old humbug and regret that it is championed by so distinguished a newspaper man as Brer Biakely.

A DOMESTIC SCANDAL seems destined to permanently retire the Hon. J. Edward Addicks from public life and destroy his ambition to represent his State in the U. S. Senate. At the recent election he is credited with carrying Delaware for the republicans and for this achievement he expected to be sent to the house of Lords. But the nimble Edward is somewhat of a Don Juan and will likely find as did Parnell, Breckinridge and others that that is a dangerous game to play. His wife has brought suit for divorce, naming a very stylish widow as co-respondent. Mr. Addicks claims that it is the work of political enemies to ruin him, but they all do that. All of them are as innocent as new born babes if you let them tell it.

The Ohio woman, who directed before her demise that some one be left at home during her funeral services to keep the servants from stealing everything, fully demonstrated that the ruling passion is strong in death.

NEWSY NOTES.

About \$28,000,000 in gold poured into the Federal Treasury yesterday.

It is now stated that fully 10,000 Armenians were massacred by the cruel Turks.

J. W. Shelton has been appointed postmaster at Pleasant Hill, Mercer county.

The First National Bank at Minneapolis has assigned with liabilities of \$150,000.

The New York Court of Appeals has confirmed the sentence of Boss McKane for election frauds.

An infant child of Richard Eustis, of Shelbyville, Ind., died from the effects of a needle scratch.

Incendiaries burned the new work house at Harrodsburg and also the stable of the keeper. Loss \$3,500.

Harry and Eugene Saunders, aged 11 and 12, were run over and killed by a milk train at Muck Chunk, Pa.

George Gagle, of Fort Recovery, O., has a cow which gave birth to four calves. All are living and look healthy.

The government makes a clear \$8,500,000 on its sale of \$50,000,000 bonds, a pretty big premium on 5 per cent. security.

Mrs. Sarah Ulrich, of Honesdale, Pa., has announced her candidacy for the unexpired term of the late Congressman Wright.

Mack Walters, of Knox county, was murdered and his body placed on the railroad track near Barberville. Two men are suspected.

Secretary Morton has astonished all the taxpayers in the Union by covering the Treasury \$600,000 unexpended balance of the agricultural appropriation.

Judge Rose at Los Angeles has made the injunction perpetual against Debs and his 600 followers, forbidding them in any way to interfere with California trains.

The United States mints last year coined \$106,216,730, of which \$99,474,912 was gold, the gold coinage being the largest ever turned out by the mints in one year.

While Owen Sullivan, of Peru, Ind., was tearing down an old house he found a small box wedged in between the weatherboard and rafter, which contained \$2,000 in gold and silver coins.

At Morganfield the jury in the Henry Delany case failed to agree and the case will have to be tried again. He is accused of the murder of Abbie Oliver on the night of his marriage to her.

"Sposin' when the Senate assembles next Monday Grover should point blank refuse to let David see that sore toe except upon a solemn pledge of behavin' his and playin' fair?"—Louisville Times.

In honor of his wedding the Czar issued a lengthy manifesto, in which he bestowed clemency in various directions. Forty thousand poor persons of St. Petersburg dined at the Czar's expense during the day.

Charles Holden, a rich farmer near Logansport, Ind., drew \$1,100 out of bank and took it home. That night his barn was set on fire and while he was trying to save his stock, thieves carried away the money.

Secretary Carlisle has decided to accept the Stewart syndicate of bids for the entire new issue of \$50,000,000 5 per cent. bonds. The figure offered by the syndicate was 117,077. This will make the interest less than 3 per cent.

Japan has grown weary of chasing the cowardly Chinese to get a square fight out of them, and it is officially announced that the Mikado's Government will allow the American Ministers to submit any proposition that China may want to make.

An order entered at Nashville by Judge Lurton directs that, unless default in interest amounting to \$450,000 be paid into court within 60 days, the stock of the Alabama Great Southern and the Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific railroads must be sold.

Three notable events occurred in Europe yesterday. The new Czar, following the policy of his line took a consort of Teutonic blood, the venerable wife of Prince Bismarck died and a son of Kossuth took the oath of allegiance to the Emperor of Austria.

Mrs. Mary Hickey, a widow 65 years of age, who lived near Providence, Webster county, was brutally assaulted, outraged, and murdered by a man named Allan, who found her alone at her home. The Sheriff is dodging around with the brute to keep a mob from hanging him.

A count of the survivors shows that 175 members of the 53d Congress have been elected to the 54th.

Chicago police stopped a game of football between school teams because the slugging became violent.

It is possible that an attempt may be made before the Tennessee Legislature to contest the election of H. Clay Evans as Governor. It is contended, on the other hand, that the law makes no provision for such a contest.

A new and dangerous counterfeit has made its appearance. It is a \$2 silver certificate, with the portrait of William Windom and the signature of W. S. Rosencrans, Register of the Treasury, and W. H. Nebecker, Treasurer of the United States, series of 1881, and the plate B 14. The workmanship is fine and the bill will pass almost anywhere. The only weak feature of the bill is the fibers composing the paper.

MT. VERNON, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY.

A bank building will be the next.

No Thanksgiving services will be held in Mt. Vernon.

The band boys are doing some lively rehearsing for their entertainment.

McKenzie & Baker will build a two story brick business house on Main street.

Miss Lena McClure took part in the musical given by Mrs. Catching's music class in London.

Our thanks are due Mrs. J. T. Hackley for a big Thanksgiving turkey accompanied by celery, sausage, etc.

Tilman Gilpin, section foreman at this place, has secured a patent on a rail drill, which is a novel machine.

The oyster supper to be given at the Newcomb House, Thursday evening, by the band, promised to be well attended.

Rev. J. Dickey, the Methodist divine who preached here recently, will preach here once a month in the future.

During the illness of Prof. Dickerson and family, Miss Mollie Brown, the handmaiden assistant teacher conducts the public school at this place.

All the buildings now going up here are being made almost entirely of home material. The lime, brick, sand, stone and lumber are all county productions.

The two brick office buildings on Church street are handsome edifices. One belongs to Mr. Ed Smith, editor of the Eagle, and the other to Mr. C. C. Williams.

Contractor Welsh, of Williamsburg, contemplates moving here in the near future we learn. He can get all building materials cheaper than anywhere else in the United States.

There are good prospects of a bank being established here in the near future. Mr. J. H. Sandusky, of Shelby county, was here last week looking the matter up and met with the proper encouragement.

Mrs. Nesbitt's select school continues to prosper. This being the fifth year of Mrs. Nesbitt's work as a teacher in our midst, we think she has cause to feel proud of the result accomplished in her arduous educational efforts.

Mrs. M. J. Miller, Jr., has returned from a visit to Livingston. Mr. R. G. Williams improving in health. Mrs. George Baker, of London, has been visiting Mrs. Eliza Cook, of Covington. Capt. Spradlin and family have taken rooms at the Newcomb.

The Band of Mercy, Master Walter Rice, pres., and Miss Clara Kennedy, vice-president, will give a box supper, Tuesday, Dec. 10, at the church. The proceeds to be devoted to a charitable purpose. This society is doing good work among the children. Everyone should attend the box supper.

Dave Merritt, colored, one of the murderers of the two Good children near Paulding, O., is thought to be a native of Garrard county. A darky by that name moved to Ohio from the county almost 15 years since. Charles Hart, one of the murderers is in jail at Paulding, but Merritt is yet at large.

Dr. Lovell's fine rock quarry is furnishing some handsome blocks for the front of one of the new bricks. If the L. & N. could only be induced to remove some of her machine shops, etc., to this place, water could be secured near this quarry for merely a nominal sum. We trust that the officials will think of this matter.

Mr. Jack Adams, of Paint Lick, was here Monday. Lloyd Maret is seriously ill. Mr. B. P. Martin and son was up from Rowland Monday. Jack Lawrence is telegraphing nights at Sinks and W. J. Newcomb is similarly engaged at Broadhead. Robert Cox has recovered from a serious sick spell. Little F. L. Thompson, Jr., is our newsboy now and is assisted by little Aliza.

BRODHEAD, ROCKCASTLE COUNTY.

Fat hogs are worth 4½ and 5¢ at this place.

Isaac Snodgrass, of the Big Glade, is town to-day.

The patrons of the S. S. anticipate having an Xmas tree at the Baptist church on the night of Dec. 25th, and the ladies have a very nice quilt that they propose to sell to the highest bidder, the proceeds to go for the Sunday school.

Bro. S. Collier, the pastor at the Christian church, filled his appointment last Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. His sermon Sunday night was as fine as we ever heard. His theme was "Life." Bro. Pike filled his appointment at Freedom church Sunday. He will begin a series of meetings at that church next Saturday night.

Old Mr. A. Robbins had his grandson, Wm. Haggard, arrested, charging him with a breach of the peace, and he had his trial before Squire Tate, Tuesday. Hon. G. W. McClure represented the Commonwealth and C. O. Williams was for the defendant, but the jury was of the opinion that young Mr. Haggard ought to pay \$5, although he had done no damage.

Ma. J. T. Brown, of Walnut Grove, came down Monday to assist J. H. Jarrett in putting his still in operation. So we will have plenty of mountain dew soon and it will be much more convenient for some of our citizens who have been patronizing the express company pretty liberally of late. Mr. Thomas Austin came over to see that everything was in its proper place.

Young Mr. Oscar Clarke, who has been living in Lester, N. C., for the last few years, surprised his father, Dr. J. M. Clarke, who lives in this town, very much a few days ago. He had written his father that he was coming home on a visit and the doctor was anxiously looking and waiting for the arrival of his son, but when he landed the doctor found out that he had a daughter instead.

Dr. Robert L. Davison, of Stanford, has been with us for a few days practicing his profession. Mr. Luther Jarrett has moved to the Woodall property on the road about one fourth mile from town. Mrs. P. Herndon, who has been confined to her room for some months, sat up in a chair about 15 minutes last Sunday. Mr. L. N. Newland is no better at this writing. Mr. J. B. Farmer, our R. R. agent, has been ill now for a few days, and Mr. James Landrum, of Pittsburgh, has been holding down the wires at this office. Mr. Farmer was able to go on duty Tuesday and Mr. Landrum returned home. Mr. R. S. Martin has gone to the city. Mr. A. W. McMurray came over from Richmond to-day. He will spend only a day or two at this place looking up the boys that are working for him in the machine business.

MAYWOOD.—Mr. Sam Basin, of Pittsburgh, is at home for a few days. Mr. Harvey Wilson and children, of Boyle, are visiting Mrs. Will Stephenson. Mrs. Harlan, of Garrard, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas Wood. Mrs. W. S. Bernard and children, of Junction City, are visiting her relatives, Mrs. W. T. Tucker and Mrs. John C. Hill. Tuesday, Nov. 20, was Uncle John C. Hill's 78th birthday, which was celebrated by several of his friends dropping in and partaking of an excellent dinner. Judging from his spryness and steady flow of wit, one would not take him to be past 50. May he live to enjoy many more bright and happy anniversaries of his birth, I am sure is the wish of all who know him. On the same night his old family mare was stolen and up to this writing nothing has been heard from her. Uncle Johnson says he has no objections to his friends coming in and devouring his edibles, but he draws the line at the confiscation of his stock.

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PERSONAL POINTS.

Miss Mollie Wright is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. W. Green.

Miss Mary Brough, of Casey, is a guest at the Carpenter House.

Mr. Ed. Sibley came up from Danville yesterday to spend Thanksgiving with his homefolks.

Mr. W. B. Holmes, of Danville, has been here several days enjoying the Methodist meetings.

Dr. P. W. Logan is preparing to move his family from Crab Orchard to his farm near Millidgeville.

MRS. LIZZIE and MARY LOHAN, of Crab Orchard, are down to spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. R. H. Logan.

Miss Belle Root leaves next week for Sanibel Island, Fla., to spend the winter with Rev. George O. Barnes and family.

Mr. J. F. Moore and wife, of Casey, came up yesterday to spend Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. Ed. Wilkinson.

Mrs. James S. Fish, Mrs. J. G. Carpenter and Mrs. J. M. Black went up to the East End yesterday to eat Thanksgiving turkey.

Of course we intended to speak of Mrs. Susan Warren as the mother of Mr. R. V. Purdon, if the naughty types did get it wrong.

Dr. J. Halleck Ballou and wife, of Haven, Kansas, are at his father's, Elder Joseph Ballou. The doctor will probably locate here.

Mrs. Nannie W. Owens and Mr. E. F. (I went up from Cumberland Falls for a few days. They will probably spend the winter there.

Mrs. Pamela Brown has kindly consented to decorate the stage for Gen. Gordon's lecture and that insures that it will be a thing of beauty.

Mr. James Dunn, who left this place to locate in Stanford three years ago, will return to Danville the first of the year and go back into the dairy business.

—Advocate.

Misses J. Richard Bush, Harry Broughman, Richard and Will Hocker, who are attending school in Lexington, came home yesterday to enjoy to-day with the old folks at home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Marcus and family will leave to-morrow to locate at Clark's Hill, Ind., much to the regret of numerous friends, who wish them happiness and success in their new home.

Mrs. M. S. Baughman entertained at her Tuesday in honor of her sister, Miss Lizzie Dunn. A large number of couples were present, who enjoyed a royal supper and a delightful evening.

Mr. A. R. Penny continues very ill of his old trouble, a stomach affection. His wife, who has been attending her daughter, Mrs. R. B. Mahony, who was ill at Carthage, Tenn., arrived yesterday, bringing her patient, who is nearly recovered, with her.

CITY AND VICINITY.

LET US give thanks.

WANTED.—A good farm hand. J. E. Bruce, Stanford.

Are you reading our "big ad." each issue? Danks the Jeweler.

We say a few words about pins this week. Read our "big ad." Danks.

Sponges.—A selection for you; bath, fine silk and buggy sponges. W. B. McRoberts.

LOGAN COFFEE, colored, while working with a young man belonging to Mr. A. M. Feland, fell and broke one of his legs.

TAXES.—All city taxes must be paid at once or property will be levied on to satisfy same. O. J. Newland, city marshal.

J. W. James has posted notices stating that he will make application next court day to remove his whisky business from the town of Crab Orchard to his distillery near the depot of that town.

TELEGRAFS, letters and postals galore have come ordering reserved seats for the Gordon lecture to-night and the largest crowd of the finest people will gather at Walton's Opera House that has ever assembled there.

LOVERS of the sport are anticipating a treat Friday afternoon, when the Stanford and Centre College No. 2 football teams come together on the water works grounds here. Game called 3 o'clock. Admission 25c. Ladies free.

MR. GEORGE D. HOPPER's house caught fire from a defective flue Tuesday and but for the assistance of some hunters who were attracted by the cry it would now likely be in ashes. As it was very little damage was done. Mr. Hopper was in town at the time.

FOR RENT.—The Pink Cottage. Apply at this office.

Two cottages on Whitley Avenue for rent at \$6 each per month. Miller & Helm.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—Residence occupied by B. K. Warren. Price \$15, monthly payments. Thos. Richards, Stanford.

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THERE never was such a reserved seat sale in the history of Walton's Opera House. Already 155 people have secured seats for Gen. Gordon's lecture to-night and the cry is still they come.

MINSTRELS.—Saxton's Southern Minstrels, under the auspices of Saxton's Military Band and Operatic Orchestra, will make music and mirth at Walton's Opera House, Thursday evening, Dec. 6.

GEN. JOHN B. GORDON, Gen. Lee's favorite lieutenant, will tell in his inimitable way of the Last Days of the Confederacy at Walton's Opera House to-night. Doors open at 7; lecture at 8 o'clock.

THERE are 30 people in Saxton's Southern Minstrels which will hold the boards at Walton's Opera House, Dec. 6, and among them is a matchless quartette of singers that alone is worth the price of admission to hear. Of course everybody will be there.

A DRESSMAKER told us the other day that since big sleeves have come into fashion, she first cuts the sleeves and then makes the dress out of the remainder of the cloth. She also added that it was not unusual for her to consume five yards in making them.

P. W. GREEN, who has spent a week with several Hustonville gentleman hunting and fishing in Casey and Adair counties, returned Tuesday night after a most successful trip. The party killed over 200 birds and caught 40-odd fish that averaged three pounds or more.

So well pleased was Mr. E. H. Beazley with the success of his last declamatory contest that he will give another at Walton's Opera House, Dec. 27, for the benefit of the Lexington Bible College. The main prize will \$20 and some good claimers will take part.

DRATH.—Mrs. Mildred Beazley received a telegram yesterday telling of the death of her uncle, Mr. H. C. Arnold, of Garrard. Heart disease was the trouble and the death was very sudden. The remains were laid to rest in the Lancaster Cemetery yesterday. Mr. Arnold leaves besides a wife, four grown children.

THE INDICATIONS are that to-day will be a splendid one for fox hunting and if no number of town people will spend Thanksgiving that way. One crowd with 50-odd dogs will leave J. H. Carter's store at 6 this morning, while another with about as many canines will leave Gentry Brown's, down in the Hubble section at the same hour.

THE McKinney Canvassing Company has organized with F. M. Ware, president, E. J. Tanner, vice-president, J. H. Vanhook, treasurer, Dr. E. M. Estes, secretary, and Wm. Chesterfield, general manager. Directors: W. A. Coffey, K. L. Tanner, S. M. Owens and A. B. McKinney. Only 26 shares of \$50 each of the \$5,000 in stock are left, and they are going like hot cakes.

THE Cumberland Falls Hotel property is likely to go into the hands of a stock company. Mrs. Nannie Owens has fixed the value of the place with its 400 acres of land at \$7,000 and those who take stock agree to pay that sum for it, together with \$5,000 additional for improvements. It is splendid property and the readiness with which Mrs. Owens is disposing of the stock shows that great confidence is held in it.

THE Federal court at Louisville gave judgment to the Central Thomson-Houston Co., against the Barbourville Land and Improvement Co., but a return was made of no property found. The plaintiffs now ask that the payment on the stock of the Land Company be enforced and their debt paid out of the proceeds. It seems that the ghost of the boom towns like Banquo's will never down.

THE contested election cases are going to put somebody in for heavy costs. The testimony will all be presented in the form of depositions and this alone will cost several hundred dollars. Col. W. G. Welch, J. W. Alcorn and J. B. Paxton will represent G. B. Cooper, and Hill & McRoberts and W. H. Miller. Mr. Cummings. The contesting board will hear the case on the 3d Monday in next month.

DISCOVERED AMERICA.—Barnes Warren tells us that at a school near town the other day the teacher asked the little tots "who discovered America?" A bright little fellow, who is destined to become a great man, promptly answered: "Boss Davison." Mr. Davison may not have done so, but if there had been any voters to corral, he would have been dead sure to have made the discovery prior to the 6th of November.

THERE was a sudden fall in the temperature Tuesday night and at noon yesterday the mercury was below the freezing point. The chances are good for a fair and cold Thanksgiving day. The signal service predicts it and the other indications confirm it.

MATRIMONIAL MATTERS.

—W. T. Adams and Miss Katie Blankenship were married Tuesday at the bride's father, Mr. T. S. Blankenship, in the Bee Line Section.

—Mrs. Isaac Redmond has been arrested at Trenton, N. J., and will be tried for matrimonial mania. She has been married eight times and was about to commit the indiscretion again when she was taken in hand by the law.

—Czar Nicholas and Princess Alix, of Hesse-Darmstadt, were married Monday. This is a marriage rendered necessary on the accession of the Czar to the Russian throne and it is one without love, the ruler of all the Russias renouncing his real sweetheart to do so.

—George W. Malone, of St. Louis, and Miss Sadie Hommel, of St. Joseph, met for the first time in the Union depot of the former city Sunday night and were married. They had corresponded through the help of friends and exchanged photographs. He proposed, she accepted and they were united, and may they "ever afterwards live happily together," as the old novels were wont to say.

—Mr. Wallace W. McKittrick found out that Mr. H. E. Marcus would move with his family to Indiana this week and he determined that one of them should go. Accordingly he obtained Miss Marie E. Marcus's consent to go with him to Liberty Tuesday and then they were united in matrimony by Eld. J. Q. Montgomery. Mr. McKittrick is an excellent gentleman and steady business man, while his bride is both handsome and well fitted to make him a loving and true wife. So here's hoping that they may be very happy.

CHURCH AFFAIRS.

—Eld. J. G. Livingston will preach at Sugar Grove next Sunday at 11 o'clock. —Rev. W. E. Ellis and wife returned yesterday. Mr. Ellis' meeting at Parkland resulted in 12 additions.

—Francis Murphy addressed an enormous audience in Pittsburg Sunday, the occasion being the 18th anniversary of the blue ribbon movement.

—Please say in your paper that H. W. Elliott, State evangelist, will preach at McCormick's church Sunday at 3 o'clock p.m. The members are requested to attend. W. L. Williams.

—Walnut Flat Sunday-School will meet next Sunday morning at 9:30. Miss Nannie Caldwell will be present and address the ladies on mission work. It is hoped that as many ladies will be present as possible.

—The United Presbyterian says that the national observance of Thanksgiving day was brought about by a woman. Mrs. Sarah J. Hale, of Philadelphia, began about 1844 to urge, through the magazine of which she had charge, and by personal correspondence with the governors of states and presidents of the United States, that Thanksgiving day should be made a national festival, and be held on the same day throughout the country. Her suggestion was adopted 20 years later by President Lincoln, and the observance of Thanksgiving by the nation has now become fully established.

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"I T's all in a lifetime, Jack," says Bill Marlin, knucklin the brine out of his eyes. "And I ain't complainin o' grub or grog aboard this 'ere raft, but if the old man had been so emmised as to take my advice and leave the cook's cat aboard stidder heavin her over the rail soon's we left port the brig 'n'd-a-been makin into Boston in another week stidder heavin gone to Davy Jones', and him, with the rest of the crew, clawin seaweed 'longside of her. I wouldn't kurl a rope's end fur this 'ere turn in the tide," continued Bill, takin an extra half hitch in his lashin's, "if I hadn't made a date with a shipmate o' mine, Lige Hawkins, by name, hailin from New Bedford, when he's afloat, but now bein ashore in them 'ere parts. When I pass my word, Jack, it's same's if I signed articles, and that's mor'n I've done aboard this crib."

The raft was made of spars and empty pork barrels, with a cutdown jib rigged on a jury mast forward, and our stores and damage in a lead colored chest lashed amidships alongside of the water cask, and the whole dripin outfit rollin on the seas, climbin up hill and sounsin into the trough and clawin off sideways like a fiddler crab.

According to our reckonin, this was the 13th of November (year '44), and three days from the brig Nancy of Portland, from Liverpool into Boston, with a cargo of tin plate, had been struck by an easter, and the captain had driven her before the winds for 48 hours under next to bare poles until her fore and main sticks went overboard in an extra gale, and her rotten old hull sprang a-leak. When the old man gave up the pumps, expectin her to go down before mornin, we provisioned the two quarter boats regular, and the captain, heavin the compass, and Bill Marlin, hevin mate of the Nancy, hevin only the ship's barometer to sail by, the crew was that crazy to go in the captain's boat, that they swarmed over the side and swamped her before our eyes, leavin Bill and me leavin on the rail and the old man and all hands goin to the bottom like lead afore we could heave 'em so much as a rope's end.

Me and Bill aised away the other boat and when she struck the water a cross sea stove her against the brig and crushed her like an eggshell.

"Shipmate," says Bill, "it ain't fittin to go to sea jist yet, and what we've got to do is pump'er" and pump her we did all that night, watch and watch, and all the other lashin the raft. By mornin in the water had gained nine inches on us, and the ship had settled that much by the side. Bill's face was long, but he allowed it warn't no use to put off till the raft was shipshape and her stores lashed proper, so we worked and pumped till near noon and swung the whole outfit overboard by the mizzenmast boom and got onto it in our oilskin pajamers and clear of the Nancy in time to see her go down bow on.

When I asked Bill what the nature of his engagement with Hawkins of New Bedford might be, he said it was social and religious and included wearin alongside and heavin aboard a Thanksgiving dinner, and he had the old man's consent beforehand for the cruise ashore. "I was two year shipmate with Lige around a Bedford whaler up north in '38 and '39, and then I struck him agin in '42 aboard a West India lime juice in the constin trade, and comin into Boston on time we had shore leave together on Thanksgiving day, and bein New England born of honest fisherfolks we kept the day proper, accordin to our lights. The next I seen o' Lige after we left the lime juice was when we saw breakin out the Nancy's cargo alongside the Liverpool docks him a-celebratin his last day ashore afore the schooner sailed for New York and long with 'im a Kan-

Afore sun set we sighted a ship to leeward beatin up against the wind, and when she came alongside who hove to and sent off a boat.

I was feelin mighty chiper at the prospect of seeing the American flag again, but Bill Marlin sat on the chest amidships puffin away at his pipe.

"Lower away the mainail and ease 'er," roared Bill.

I lowered the sail, and the raft laid to, and by that time the boat swung alongside, eight oars up, man-o'-war style, and the starkest Yankee mate in the stern that ever sailed out of Boston.

"Come, tumbol aboard here, men," says the nary mate, "and be quick about it. There's no room for that chest."

"Where ya bound?" says Bill Marlin, takin out his pipe and spittin to windward.

"What's that to you where we're bound?" growls the mate from Boston.

"Look ahere," says Bill Marlin, "I've got a date with a shipmate in New Bedford, and your how looks to be onto the wrong end o' the ship. I ain't goin back to Liverpool, and you better git your boathook out o' my starboard sail."

"What time are you due in New Bedford on that nibbin crab?" says the mate, laughin.

"On Thanksgiving day," says Bill. "Whenever that is."

"Well, that's tomorrow by order of the governor of the commonwealth of Massachusetts," says the mate.

"You might asmissed yer reckin," says Bill.

"No," said the mate. "Here's a Boston paper a week old with the proclamation in it," and with that he hove the newspaper onto the raft.

"Well, where be we anyway, shipmet?" says Bill, softennin.

"We're five days out from Boston," says the mate.

"A-beatin and a-clawin up agin a head

gone up five points, Jacka since we shipped, and I low she's moderatin. What quarter's the wind in?"

"How do I know?" says L. "Hain't the old man got the compass?"

"So he has," says Bill, "and he ain't needin of it either, hevin made port. I've been 20 years afore the mast," continued Bill, lookin grieved, "in nigh as many ships, and I've observed that when a sailorman ships in a hurry he generally carries some article in his dunnings what he'd better left behind."

The glass was right, and before night set in the sea had moderated perceptibly, and although we were awake all night seemly lashed to the raft, drenched with salt water and hevin nearly perished with cold, hope revived at the comin of daylight. The rounthu sens had quieted to long smooth swells, and then the sun came up over the port bow and put new life into us. We unlashed ourselves from the chest, where we had been sittin back to back for eight hours, and spread the bit of sail and set her course west, as there away New Bedford lay, and Bill swore while there was a bisenit in the locker he'd do his best to keep his date.

"Lige Hawkins is an out and out sea lawyer," says Bill, "and altho' I ain't use I'd feel more easy in my mind to know she's headed for Bedford."

Then we ate some pilot bread and dates out of the chest and took a swallow of rum and rummaged down to the pipes and bayud took off our oilskin pajamers to let the sun have leeway onto our woolens. Bein refreshed, Bill set on the chest and tended sheet while I lay astern and held her across the swells with a long oar.

"I won't say as I altogether like this," remarked Bill between pulls at his pipe, "but I tell you, Jack, the next ship I sign aboard 'll be after I 'zamin her sticks. It's my opinion them as was on the Nancy had dry rot into 'em, not to mention the hull."

"I'm glad you're expectin to have the chance to sign again, Bill," I said.

"In course," cried Bill. "I've been shippin aboard one tub after another all my life, and I tow to keep on doin of it."

After that the weather held fair, with plenty of wind astern, and we worked the raft, watch and watch, and got

the wind and sea," says Bill, scratchin his head and pullin the glass out of his pocket and holdin it up.

"Are ye comin aboard or nint ye?" roared the mate, standin up in the stern.

"Stan by, shipmet," says Bill, "and leave me time to settle. Fair and stiddy at that. Thanks kindly, officer," says Bill, standin up himself alongside the chest. "The raft keeps her course for Bedford."

"Anything you're short of?" says the mate.

"I wouldn't refuse a little extra grog and somethin ready cooked," says Bill.

While we were layin off the sun set the moon came up off the stern post, and Bill spelled out the governor's proclamation. The mate did uncomminly well by us, and besides the grog sent us a four pound lump of plumduff. And the quartermaster who brought it had been a shipmet of Bill's somewhere in the China seas, and a finer night with a fairer wind I never saw aboard ship than that was time we got under way.

"I never knew any luck come of changin ships at sea when the other one was goin in the wrong direction," says Bill, "though I wouldn't mind boardin one headed for the Merican coast. I know Lige is layin off for me in Bedford, keepin his date, and I low to report that soon's I can get ashore."

Somewhere about two bells Bill turned in behind the chest, and in five minutes he was snorin like a trumpet. The wind freshened, and the raft rolled along for four hours at a three knot gait, and it must have been past midnight when I gave the heim to him. It seemed like I hadn't more than just got to sleep when Bill woke me up.

"Brace up, Jack," he says, "and lend a hand. There's a wreck o' some sort

when we sat down to the sprawl.

layin off the starboard bow, and I low to sheer up and heave 'er."

Sure enough, not two miles away was a hull layin rather low in the water, with the mizzenmast standin.

"I've had my eye onto her for an hour," says Bill, "and I'm a luber if she don't belong to the two sticks we come up with this mornin."

The wind was fallin off, and we beat up slow. When I turned out, she was clean ent against the sky, her mizzenmast swayin across the stars, but by the time we made her it was gettin daylight. The sea was oily off when we came alongside and hatched onto her fore chains and climbed on deck.

"I ain't denin," says Bill, "that there's comfort in standin on solid oak again, and she ain't so bad stove, but I reckon we could work her by riggin some o' our spare canvas forrid. Jist you leev inter the galley, Jack," says Bill, "and I'll spy out the cabin."

With that he went rollin aft till he pitched up alongside the stumps of the mizzenmast.

"More dry rot, Jack, just like I told ye," roared Bill, lookin back.

That minute I near fell over into the chains, for up out of the cabin companion behind Bill was a human head as bald as a grape shot.

"What the h—l," says the head, and Bill was that skared, being powerfull superstitions, that he started to run and caught his toe in the main hatch and rolled over on the deck. The bald-headed man came out in his shirt, with

"I might sweep us off," he said.

"There's no room for that chest," says Bill Marlin, "and a yo heave ho, but when I makes a date with a shipmate I'm goin for to keep it so I can, and the same for Lige Hawkins from New Bedford town, and a yo heave ho, heave ho."

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